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TOPIC Military Information from the Schweinrich Training Area

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1. Between 25 June and 1 July 1951, gunfire from heavy artillery pieces was heard alternately during the day or night from the Schweinrich (E 64/U 22) training area. The guns were emplaced in Koellners Heath, north of the Schweinrich-Zechlin road. The impact area was the Zechlin Forest, south of this road. No combat practice or convoy traffic was noticed outside the restricted training area. Refugees living on an estate south of Schweinrich said that some estate buildings were vacated in order to billet Soviet personnel who received tank driving training. There were 150 soldiers in each driving course encompassing and each course allegedly lasted four weeks. Motor vehicles observed in the training area were [REDACTED]

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2. [REDACTED] commanded by Colonel Ananiyev, (fnu), and located at the Schweinrich troop training grounds, received a shipment of six railroad carloads of 2.5 meter oak posts and 7,500 meters of barbed wire on 8 June.

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[REDACTED] confirm that components of the 18th Meoz Div are still located in the Wittstock maneuver area. [REDACTED] 25X1B confirms the Hq 18th Meoz Div until 9 June 1951. The permanent billet of the division headquarters is in Perleberg. Major General Inauri, (fnu), was identified by the [REDACTED] as the commanding general of the 18th Meoz Div in September 1950. There have been no indications that Colonel Ananiyev, (fnu), should have been appointed division commander in the meantime.

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